

Independence

National Park Service
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Independence National Historical Park
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania



April, 2015

Independence Visitor Center.....	8:30 a.m.–6:00 p.m.
Program: “Junior Ranger Induction Ceremony” weekends at 4:00 p.m.	
Liberty Bell Center.....	9:00 a.m.–5:00 p.m.
<i>Please note - security screening closes 5 minutes before the Liberty Bell Center closes for the evening</i>	
Independence Square (Access to the “Square” is through security located at 5th and Chestnut Streets) <i>Please note - security screening closes 15 minutes before the buildings on the block close for the evening</i>	
Independence Hall.....	9:00 a.m.–5:00 p.m.
Tours are offered every 15 minutes, tickets are required. Free Tickets are available the morning of your visit at the Independence Visitor Center.	
Congress Hall.....	9:00 a.m.–5:00 p.m.
The Great Essentials Exhibit in the West Wing of Independence Hall.....	9:00 a.m.–5:00 p.m.
Old City Hall.....	9:00 a.m.–5:00 p.m.
Carpenters’ Court	
Carpenters’ Hall.....	open Tuesday-Sunday..... 10:00 a.m.–4:00 p.m.
New Hall Military Museum.....	open Saturday-Sunday..... 10:00 a.m.–5:00 p.m.
Franklin Court	
Benjamin Franklin Museum.....	(fee charged)..... 9:00 a.m.–5:00p.m.
B. Free Franklin Post Office.....	open Monday-Saturday..... 9:00 a.m.–5:00 p.m.
Printing Office.....	10:00 a.m.–5:00 p.m.
Other Park Sites	
The City Tavern.....	opens at 11:30
National Constitution Center (fee charged)...	open Monday-Friday..... 9:30 a.m.–5:00 p.m.
	open Saturday..... 9:30 a.m.–6:00 p.m.
	open Sunday..... Noon-5:00 p.m.
The President’s House Site Memorial.....	7:00 a.m.–10:00 p.m.
Other NPS Sites	
Edgar Allan Poe NHS.....	open Friday-Sunday..... 9:00 a.m.– Noon and 1:00-5:00 p.m.
Thaddeus Kosciuszko NM.....	open Saturday-Sunday..... Noon-4:00 p.m.

Special Events and Program Descriptions

National Park Week April 18-26

Join Independence National Historical Park as we celebrate National Park Week. We invite you and your family to enjoy special ranger programs, events and fee free days at the Benjamin Franklin Museum. The week will culminate with our annual Junior Ranger Day. For more details and information, ask a ranger at the Independence Visitor Center desk about the activities on the day of your visit.

Civil War Weekend April 18 and 19

Discover the role Independence Hall played in the Civil War and learn all about the dramatic events surrounding the arrival of Lincoln’s funeral train to Philadelphia in a special exhibit featuring selected photographs from the period, and other ranger-led activities.

Lincoln in Philadelphia - April 22 and 23, 2015

Join accomplished Lincoln actor, Fritz Klein, for a special presentation on the 150th anniversary of the arrival of President Abraham Lincoln’s funeral train to Philadelphia. Hear about the events surrounding Lincoln’s assassination, his funeral, his vision for America as he expressed it during his life, and his hopes of moving the nation from civil war to civil rights. 4/22 at 1:00 and 4/23 at 10:00 in Congress Hall (seating is limited)

Junior Ranger Day April 25

Kids (of all ages) will enjoy colonial games, crafts, hoop races, and other fun. It’s all for budding Junior Rangers and it’s all a part of National Park Week. FREE! 10am-3pm - Independence Mall next to the Liberty Bell Center